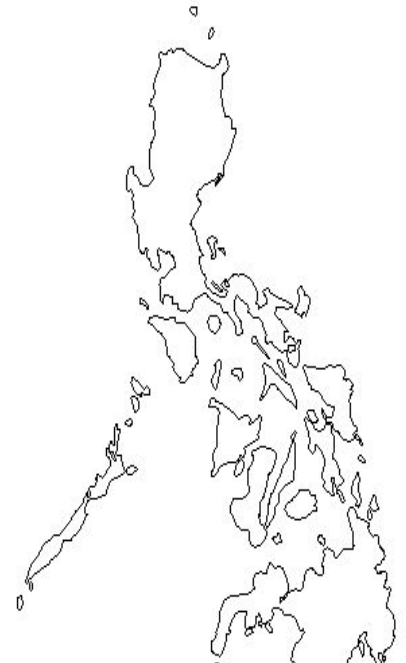# PRODUCT STANDARDS

Philippines

Overview

- The Bureau of Product Standards (BPS) develops, implements and promotes product standards as prescribed under the Consumer Act of the Philippines and the BPS Charter (Republic Act 7394).

- BPS complies with the WTO Agreement on Technical Barriers and Trade (WTO Standards Code).

- BPS has declared 91 Philippine National Standards (PNS), covering 65 specific products, ranging from electrical wires and cables to liquefied petroleum gas.

- BPS has signed a Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA) with the American Society for Testing and Materials. It has also established networks with multiple international and regional standards groups.

- Third party product testing takes place at BPS Testing Centers to verify conformity.

- BPS operates a National Registration Scheme for Quality Auditors (NRSQA) for registration of auditors engaged in standards certifications.

- BPS monitors and enforces product standards nationwide through its SMART Program (Support Monitoring Assistance for Regional Operations Group).

Services for U.S. Exporters to the Philippines

- BPS samples, tests and evaluates imported products subject to PNS, and issues Import Commodity Clearances (ICC) to qualifying products.

- BPS provides technical assistance, publications, seminars and a Standards Data Center to foreign exporters entering the Philippine market. See www.bps.dti.gov.ph for detail.

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